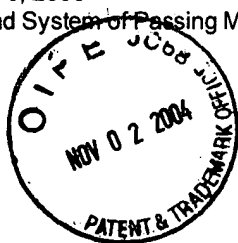


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- ☐ Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- ☒ Other: Submission of Amendment B; Information Disclosure Statement; Form 1449; and copies of two cited references.
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